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Docket No. 1614.1149/HJS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hisashi OHKI et al.

Group Art Unit:

Serial No.:

Examiner:

Filed: March 22, 2001

For: STATUS DISPLAY CONTROL UNIT, ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AND
STORAGE MEDIUM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee for and examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please AMEND claims in accordance with the following:

79. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The electronic equipment as claimed in claim 71, wherein said controller displays a message which is specified in advance by characters on the auxiliary display section.

80. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The electronic equipment as claimed in claim 71, wherein said status information includes time information of a timer which is specified in advance.